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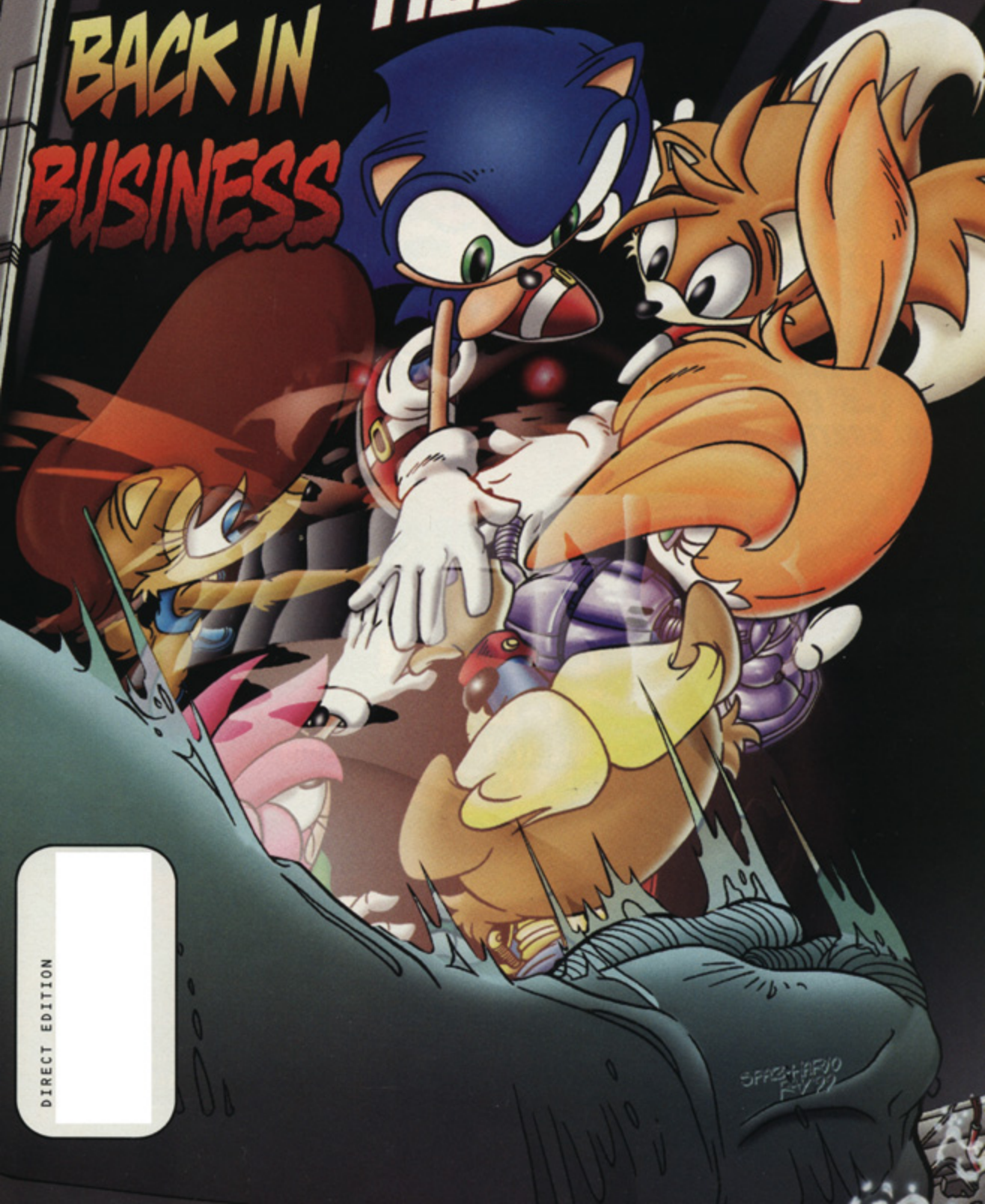
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WELL, MOM 'N' DAD, DO YOU LIKE 'EM?

"LIKE 'EM?"
"LIKE 'EM?"

SONIC--THESE WEDDING BANDS ARE ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL!

THE TRUTH IS OUT THERE

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WE COULDN'T HAVE ASKED FOR A BETTER ANNIVERSARY PRESENT, SWEETHEART!

THANKS, SON!

YOU ALWAYS WERE MY FINEST STUDENT, CHARLES-- I'M GLAD TO SEE MY LESSONS PAID OFF.

SUCH INTRICATE DETAIL WORK... I WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO FORGE THOSE BANDS WITHOUT YOU.

I CAN'T HOG ALL THE CREDIT, FOLKS-- IT WAS UNCLE CHUCK AND NATE MORGAN WHO MADE THE BANDS OUT O' POWER RINGS!

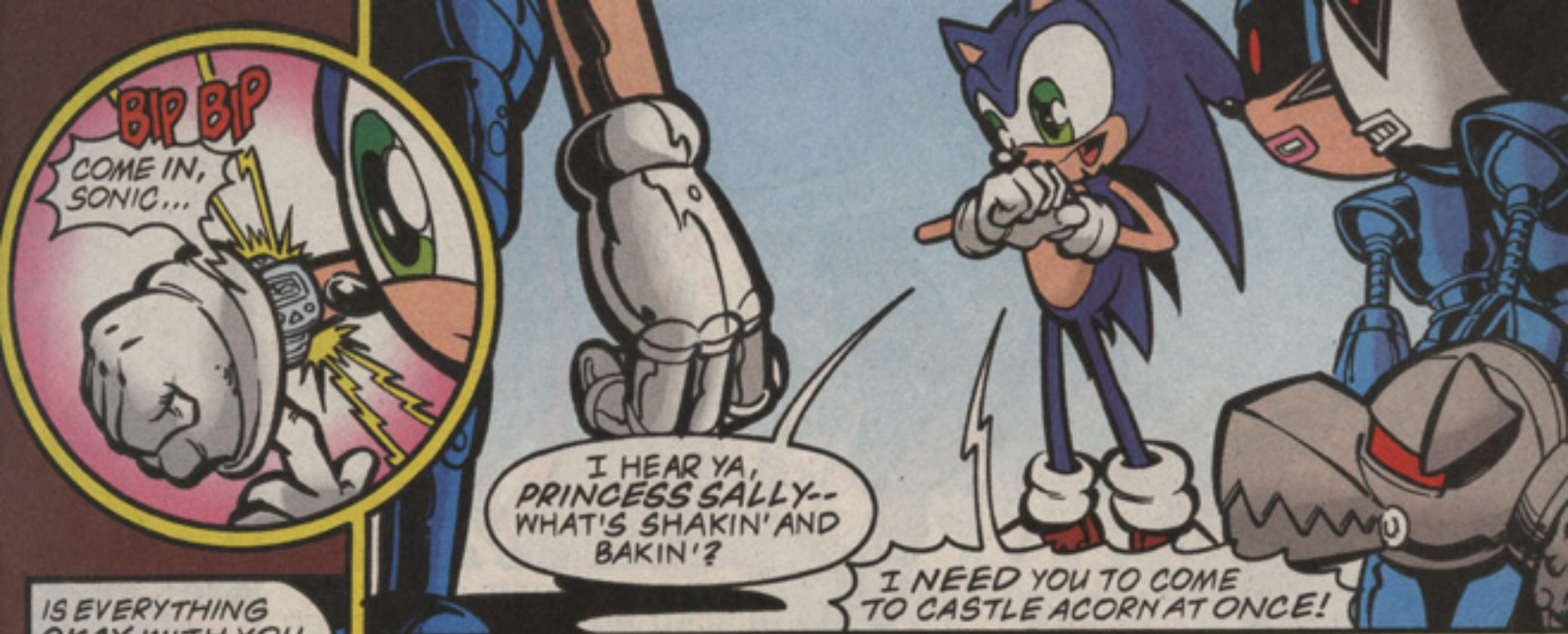
THANKS, NATÉ ... STILL, I CAN'T HELP BUT FEEL FUNNY ABOUT RECEIVING SOLE CREDIT FOR THE CREATION OF THE RINGS ALL THESE YEARS...

...WHILE YOUR NAME AND EXISTENCE WERE LEFT OUT OF THE KINGDOM RECORDS.

NONSENSE, CHARLES-- RATHER THAN HAVE ME BE MIS-TAKENLY REMEMBERED AS A TRAITOR TO THE REALM, KING MAX DECIDED UPON THAT COURSE OF ACTION.

BESIDES, YOUR INNOVATIONS HAVE ONLY HELPED TO ADVANCE MY THEORIES.

AND, WITH THAT SAID, I TAKE MY LEAVE. MAX GETS NERVOUS IF I'M AWAY FROM CASTLE ACORN FOR TOO LONG.



BIP BIP
COME IN,
SONIC...

I HEAR YA,
PRINCESS SALLY--
WHAT'S SHAKIN' AND
BAKIN'?

I NEED YOU TO COME
TO CASTLE ACORN AT ONCE!

IS EVERYTHING
OKAY WITH YOU
AND YOUR GAL-
PAL, SONNY-BOY?

I THINK SO, UNC...
AND IF NOT WE'LL HANDLE
THE PROBLEM, WHATEVER
IT IS.

DON'T STAY
OUT TOO LATE,
SONIC!

AND BE
CAREFUL!

NEXT STOP ON
THE "SONIC
EXPRESS"...THE
SEMI-SANITARY
CITY O'
MOBOTROPOLIS!
CAN YOU HANDLE
THE RIDE, NATE?

IF THAT'S A
DARE, YOUNGSTER,
THEN YOU BET
I CAN!

BYE, MOM 'N
DAD...GOOD-BYE,
UNCLE CHUCK
...SEE YA,
MUTTSKI...

MEANWHILE AT
CASTLE ACORN...

WELL, NICOLE,
I'VE CONTACTED
EVERYONE AND
THEY SHOULD BE
HERE SHORTLY.

WOULD IT NOT BE WISE TO
ALSO NOTIFY YOUR FATHER
--KING MAXIMILLIAN--OF
MY RECENT FINDINGS?

NOT UNTIL WE
DEFINITELY KNOW
THAT WE'RE ONE-
HUNDRED PERCENT
SURE, NICOLE.

ONE-HUNDRED
PERCENT SURE ABOUT
WHAT?

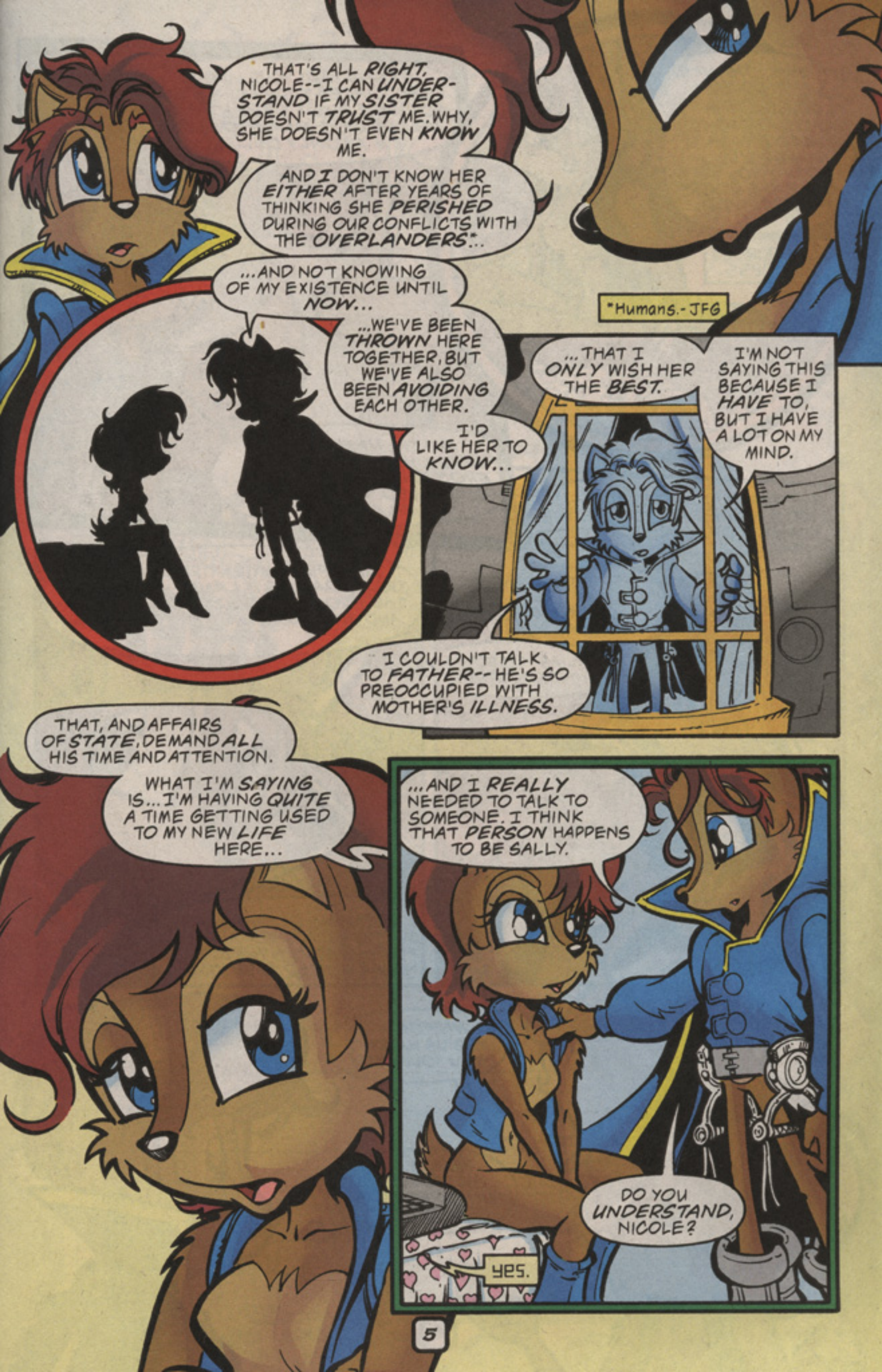
ELIAS!

I-I DIDN'T SEE
YOU STANDING
THERE!

WELL, I WAS
THERE LONG ENOUGH
TO HEAR THE DISTRESS
AND AGITATION IN YOUR
VOICE. WHAT'S GOING
ON, SALLY?

I'M SURE
IT'S NOTHING--
REALLY.

PERHAPS YOU
SHOULD AT LEAST
TELL YOUR BROTHER,
PRINCESS SALLY.



THAT'S ALL RIGHT, NICOLE--I CAN UNDERSTAND IF MY SISTER DOESN'T TRUST ME. WHY, SHE DOESN'T EVEN KNOW ME.

AND I DON'T KNOW HER EITHER AFTER YEARS OF THINKING SHE PERISHED DURING OUR CONFLICTS WITH THE OVERLANDERS*...

...AND NOT KNOWING OF MY EXISTENCE UNTIL NOW...

...WE'VE BEEN THROWN HERE TOGETHER, BUT WE'VE ALSO BEEN AVOIDING EACH OTHER.

I'D LIKE HER TO KNOW...

*Humans.-JFG

...THAT I ONLY WISH HER THE BEST.

I'M NOT SAYING THIS BECAUSE I HAVE TO, BUT I HAVE A LOT ON MY MIND.

I COULDN'T TALK TO FATHER-- HE'S SO PREOCCUPIED WITH MOTHER'S ILLNESS.

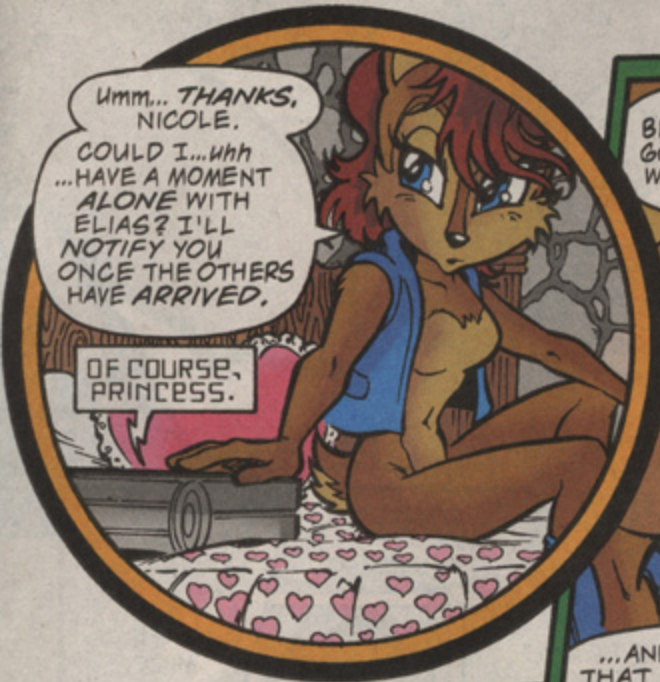
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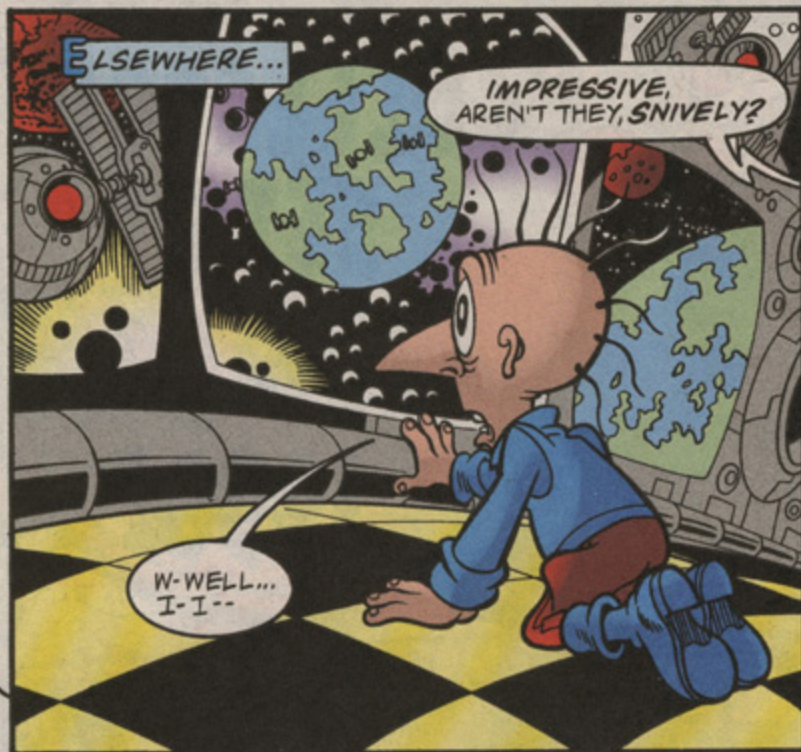
WHAT I'M SAYING IS... I'M HAVING QUITE A TIME GETTING USED TO MY NEW LIFE HERE...

...AND I REALLY NEEDED TO TALK TO SOMEONE. I THINK THAT PERSON HAPPENS TO BE SALLY.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND, NICOLE?

YES.

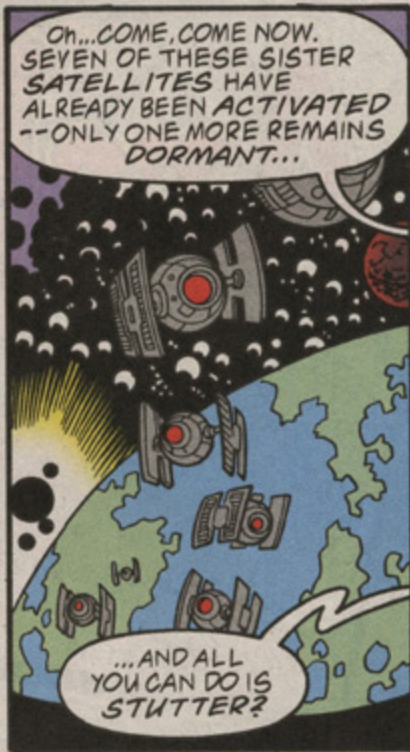




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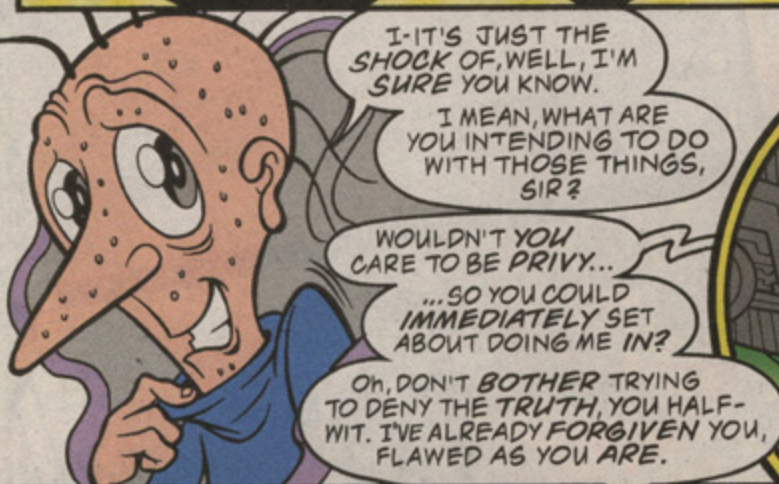
IMPRESSIVE,
AREN'T THEY, SNIVELY?

W-WELL...
I-I--



Oh...COME,COME NOW.
SEVEN OF THESE SISTER
SATELLITES HAVE
ALREADY BEEN ACTIVATED
--ONLY ONE MORE REMAINS
DORMANT...

...AND ALL
YOU CAN DO IS
STUTTER?



I-IT'S JUST THE
SHOCK OF, WELL, I'M
SURE YOU KNOW.

I MEAN, WHAT ARE
YOU INTENDING TO DO
WITH THOSE THINGS,
SIR?

WOULDN'T YOU
CARE TO BE PRIVY...

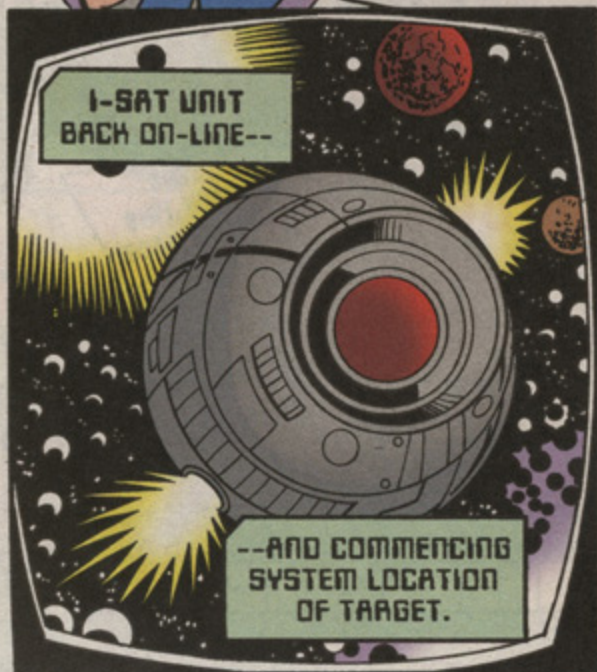
...SO YOU COULD
IMMEDIATELY SET
ABOUT DOING ME IN?

Oh, DON'T BOTHER TRYING
TO DENY THE TRUTH, YOU HALF-
WIT. I'VE ALREADY FORGIVEN YOU,
FLAWED AS YOU ARE.



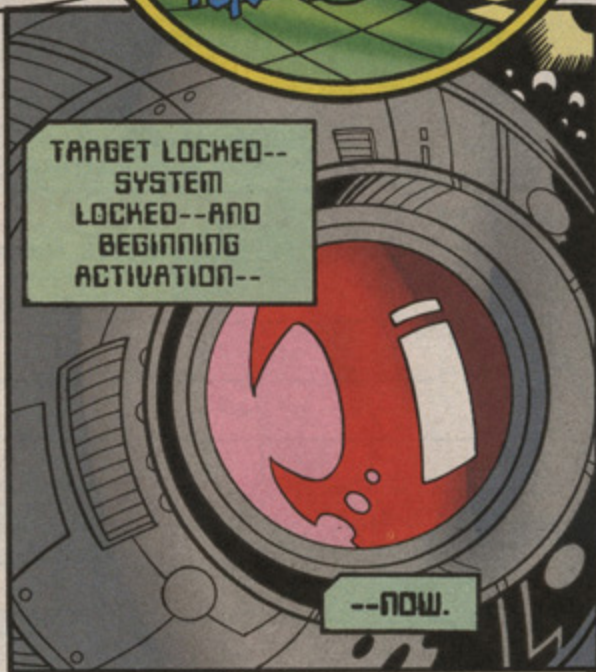
AS TO WHAT THE
SATELLITES ARE ABOUT
...WELL, I'VE ALWAYS
FELT THAT ACTIONS
SPEAK LOUDER THAN
WORDS. OBSERVE.

TEK



I-SAT UNIT
BACK ON-LINE--

--AND COMMENCING
SYSTEM LOCATION
OF TARGET.



TARGET LOCKED--
SYSTEM
LOCKED--AND
BEGINNING
ACTIVATION--

--NOW.

AND BACK IN
MOBOTROPOLIS...

WE MADE IT,
PRINCESS--SO, LIKE,
WHAT'S THE DEAL?

YEAH,
WHAT GIVES,
SUGAH-SAL?

WELL, EVERYBODY,
I'VE BEEN DOWN-
LOADING NICOLE'S
ASTRONOMICS
FILES INTO OUR
ROYAL RECORDS...

...AND WHAT
I'VE LEARNED IS
STARTLING!
NICOLE?

DISPLAYING
HOLOGRAPHIC
SIMULATION
OF MOBIUS' UPPER
ATMOSPHERE AS
IT APPEARED
SEVERAL MONTHS
AGO

WHAT THE
HECK ARE
THOSE THINGS
IN ORBIT?

THAT'S WHAT
WE'RE GOING TO
DETERMINE.

A-SAT UNIT
LINKING WITH
O-SAT UNIT...



THE SATELLITE SEEN HERE WAS ACTIVATED TWO MONTHS AGO DIRECTLY OVER THE DEVIL'S ISLAND GULAG. WHOEVER WAS BEHIND THIS ACTION REMAINS A MYSTERY.

OF FURTHER NOTE IS THE FACT THAT THE OBJECT'S ACTIVATION DATE COINCIDED WITH THE DAY OF THE JAIL BREAK BY THE GULAG'S INMATES.

*Read SONIC # 62-63--JF6



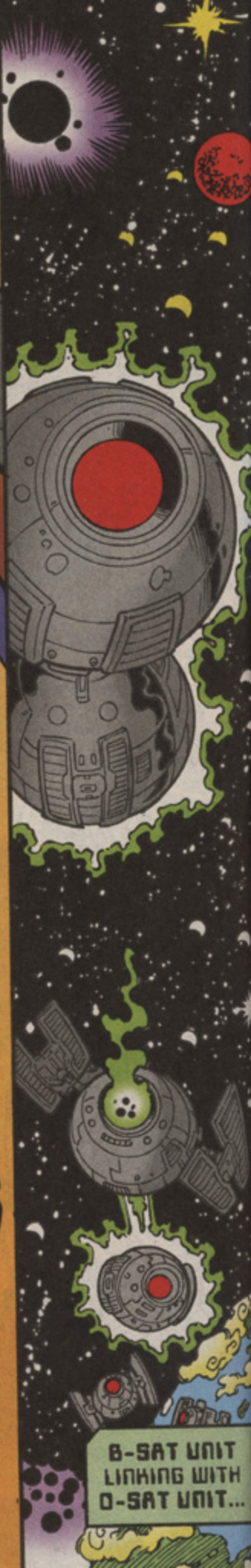
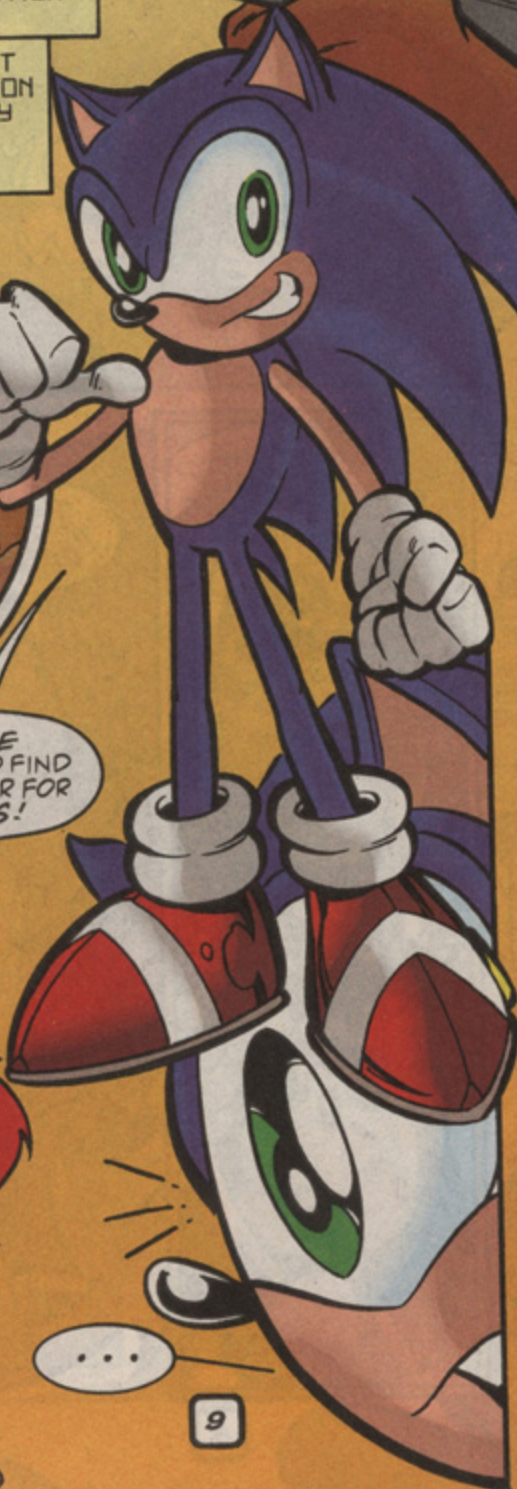
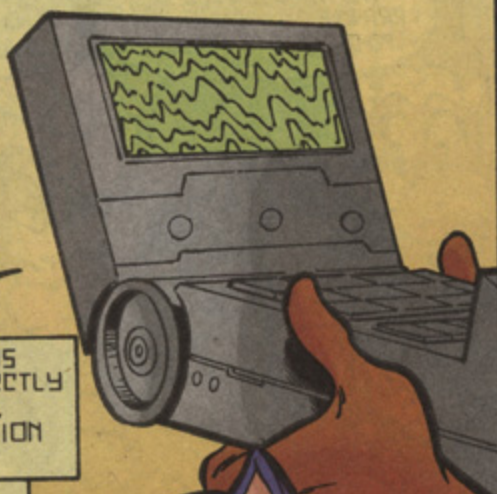
GOSH, "AUNT" SALLY-- D'YOU THINK THERE'S SOME KIND OF CONNECTION?

THAT REMAIN'S TO BE SEEN, TAILS.

I SAY WE JUICE ON UP THERE AND FIND OUT THE ANSWER FOR OURSELVES!

WE CAN'T DO THAT, SONIC--NOT UNTIL WE'VE HEARD ALL THE DATA.

NOW SIT, PLEASE.

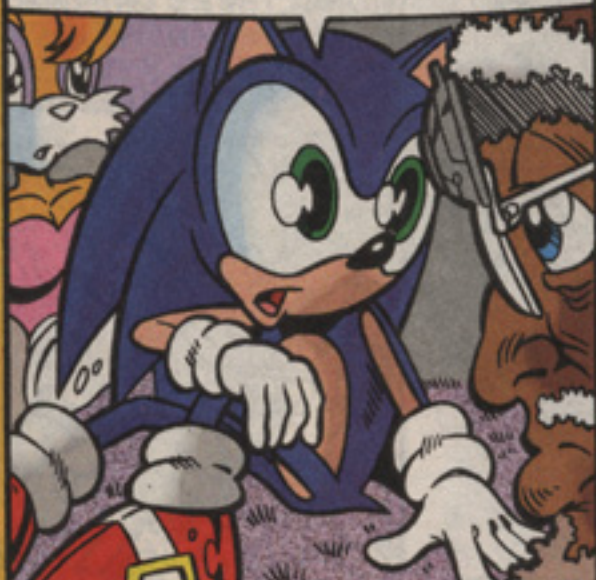


B-SAT UNIT
LINKING WITH
O-SAT UNIT...

THE SECOND SATELLITE ACTIVATED ONE WEEK LATER OVER THE REGION KNOWN AS THE SOUTHERN TUNDRA.

SEISMIC ACTIVITY ACROSS THAT CONTINENT INCREASED MARKEDLY CAUSING SEVERAL AVALANCHES.

DON'T I KNOW IT--TAILS, EDDY THE SNOW-BOT AND I WERE BURIED BY ONE OF 'EM WHILE WE WERE TACKLIN' IXIS NAUGHS!



*Read issue #64--JFG

EDDY SAVED OUR BUTTS...

WHAT ELSE'VE YA FOUND OUT, SAL?

JUST A MINUTE...

T-SAT UNIT
LINKING WITH
N-SAT UNIT...

THE NEXT SATELLITE WAS ACTIVATED ABOVE THE GREAT RAINFOREST THREE DAYS AFTER.

WAITAMINNIT! THAT'S EXACTLY WHERE WE WERE ATTACKED BY A SQUAD OF HOSTILE ROBBIANS!

AND THREE DAYS AFTER THE AVALANCHE MEANS IT WAS EXACTLY WHEN WE WERE ATTACKED, L'IL BUDDY!

COULD THE SATELLITE HAVE SOMEHOW BEEN CONTROLLING THEM?

*Read ish #67--JFG

THE VERY NEXT DAY, A FOURTH MYSTERY-SATELLITE THAT HAD ACTIVATED OVER MOBOTROPOLIS APPARENTLY UTILIZED A TRACTOR BEAM...

TO PULL SEVERAL PASSING METEORITES TOWARD THE

I-SAT UNIT LINKING WITH H-SAT UNIT...

*Read ish #68--JFG

JUST IN TIME FOR MY BIRTHDAY...

AND MY RETURN TO THE KINGDOM AFTER FIFTEEN YEARS AWAY!

I-SAT UNIT LINKING WITH H-SAT UNIT...

THE FIFTH SATELLITE WAS
UP AND RUNNING FOUR DAYS
LATER...

...OVER WEST
ROBOTROPOLIS
ON BIG KAHUNA
ISLAND.

LEMME TAKE A WILD
GUESS--COULD IT HAVE
BEEN ON THE SAME DAY
WE FOUGHT THE ESCAPED
CONS FROM THE DEVIL'S
ISLAND?

THE SAME
DAY THAT SNIVELY
BIT THE DUST?*

AFFIRMATIVE.

*Read ish # 70-- JFG

IT WAS TOO BAD
SNIVELY WAS AS
TWISTED AS HIS UNCLE
JULIAN. ALAS, THE
POOR LAD MET A SIM-
ILAR FATE...

WHO'S TO SAY
HE DID MEET A
SIMILAR FATE?

I MEAN JUST THINK--
SNIVELY WAS THE ONE WHO
REPORTEDLY MASTER-
MINDED THE BREAK-OUT
FROM THE GULAG...*

...AND I WAS THERE
WHEN HE WAS DRAGGED
UNDERWATER BY THAT
ROBOTIC SQUID.** BUT
LET'S SUPPOSE THAT HIS
"DEATH" WAS MERELY A
CLEVER MEANS OF HIDING
HIS ESCAPE?

*Read ish # 62-63
**Again, ish # 70- JFG

SAT UNITS
PREPARING FOR
FINAL PHASE
LINK-UP...

TWENTY-FOUR HOURS
AFTER THE FIFTH
SATELLITE CAME TO
LIFE, THE SIXTH ONE
FOLLOWED SUIT...

...THIS TIME ABOVE
THE REGION KNOWN
AS KNOTHOLE VILLAGE
VALLEY.

SONIC--THAT WAS
ON THE SAME DAY KNOT-
HOLE WAS HIT BY THAT
WEIRD ENERGY BEAM--

I KNOW, SAL--
THE SAME ONE THAT
ALMOST DESTROYED
REALITY AS WE
KNOW IT!*

*Read ish
71--JFG

THE SEVENTH
SATELLITE WAS AC-
TIVATED LAST
NIGHT OVER MOBO-
TROPOLIS WHILE
THE EIGHTH ONE
APPEARED TO BE
INACTIVE AT THE
TIME MY FILES
WERE DOWNLOADED.

EET WAS LAST
EVENING ZAT KEENG
MAX'S ADDRESS TO
ZEE PUBLEEK WAS
SUDDENLY REPLACED--

...BY A
BROADCAST
DEVOTED TO
THE LATE DOCTUH
ROBOTNIK'S LIFE
HISTORY!*

*See last
ish--JFG

RD-UNIT
LINKING
WITH...

...BD-UNIT
LINKING
WITH...

...TN-UNIT
LINKING
WITH...

...IK-UNIT.



UPDATING ASTRONOMICS FILE... THE EIGHTH SATELLITE ACTIVATED FORTY-FIVE MINUTES AGO.

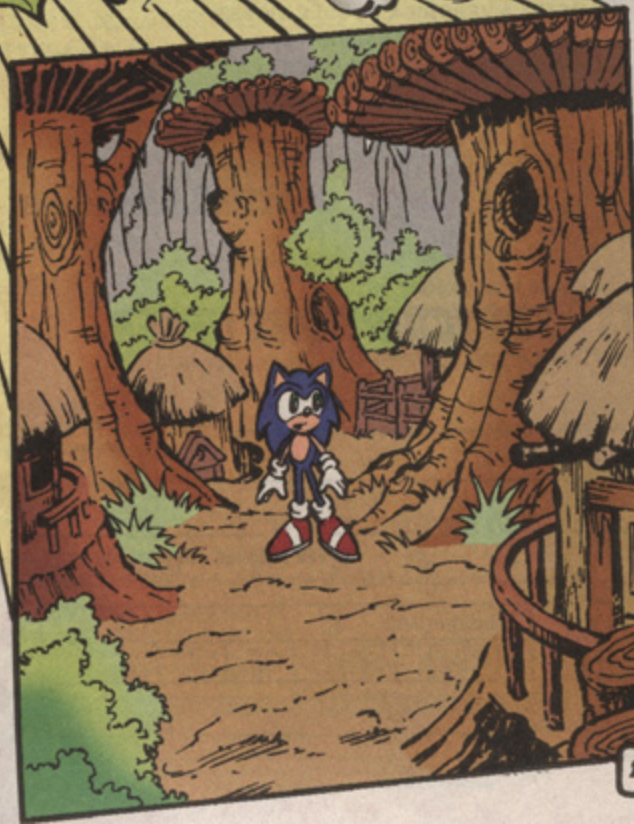
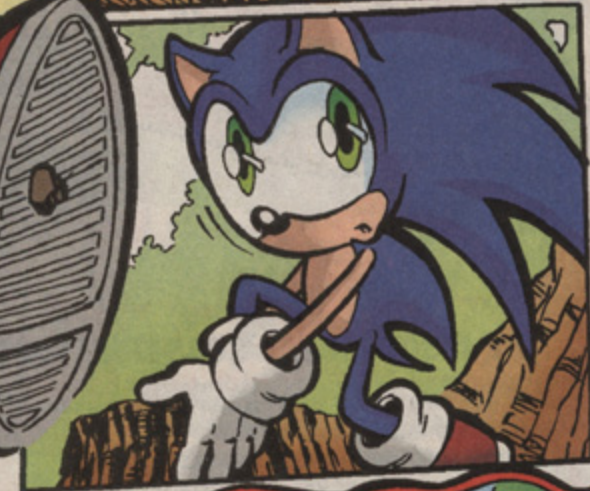
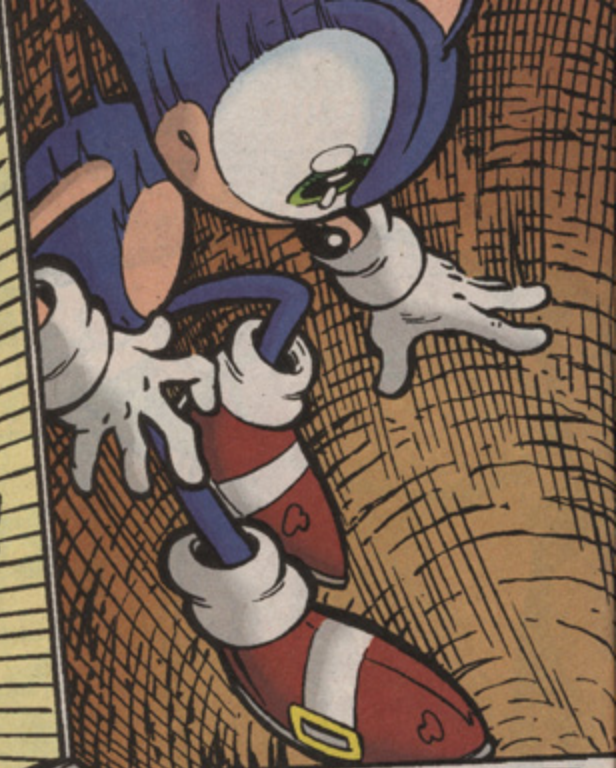
Huh?! WHERE DID IT ACTIVATE, NICOLE? OVER WHAT LOCATION?

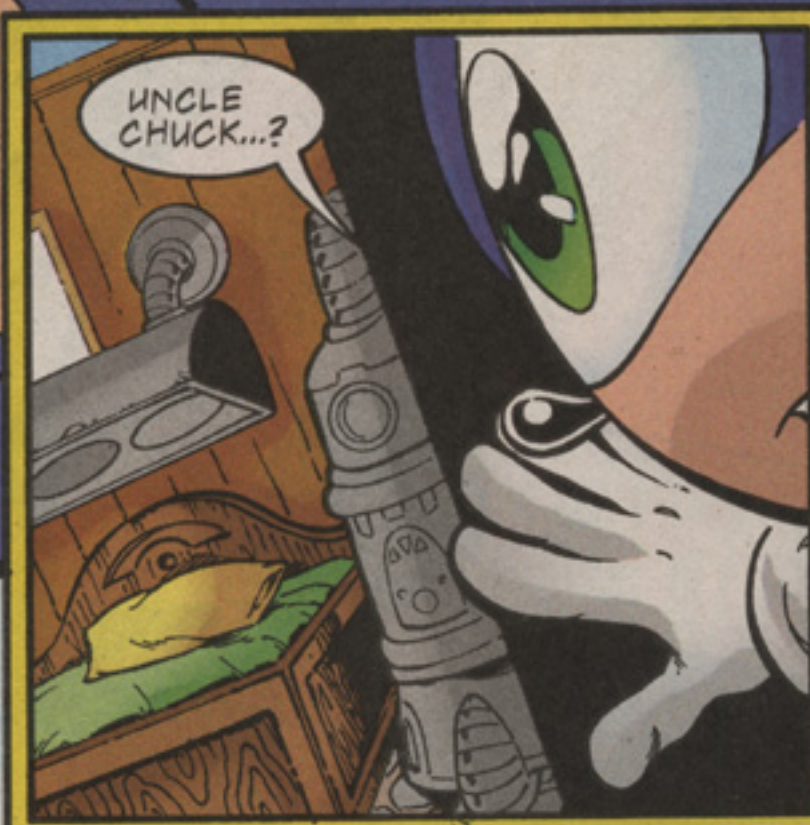
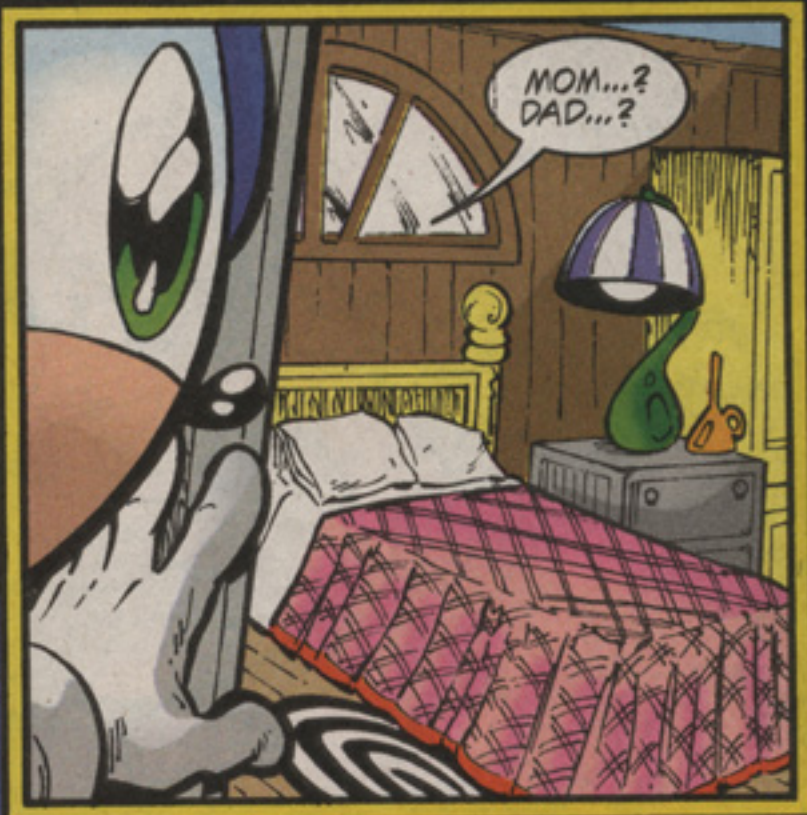
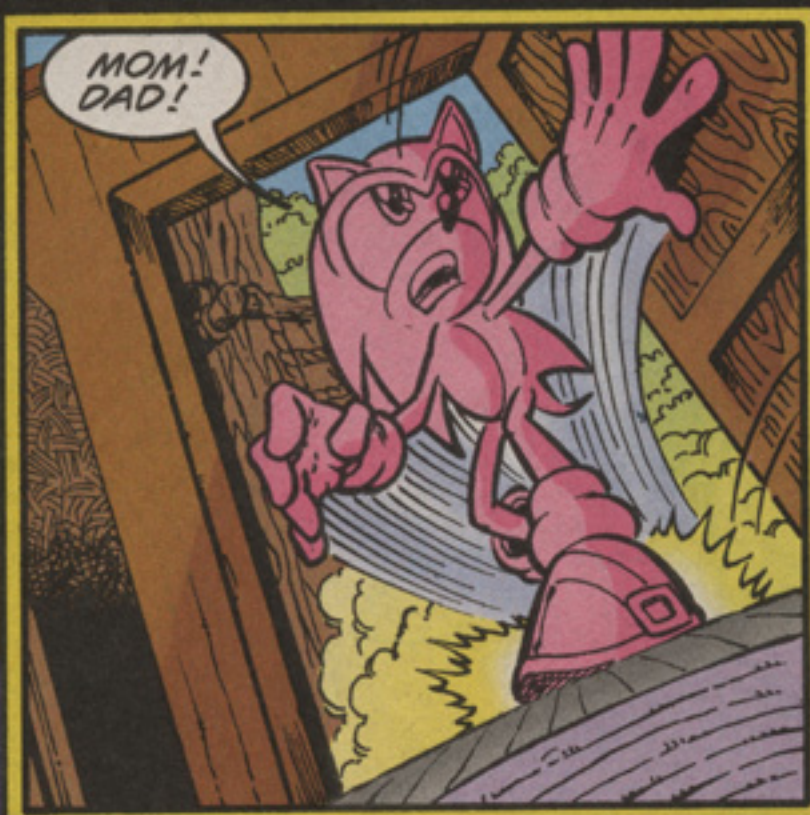
KNOTHOLE VILLAGE.



ROBOTNIK-ORBITAL PLATFORM IS FUNCTIONAL.







AND ABOARD
THE NEWLY-
ASSEMBLED
ORBITAL
PLATFORM...



TO BE CONTINUED!

TO BE CONTINUED!

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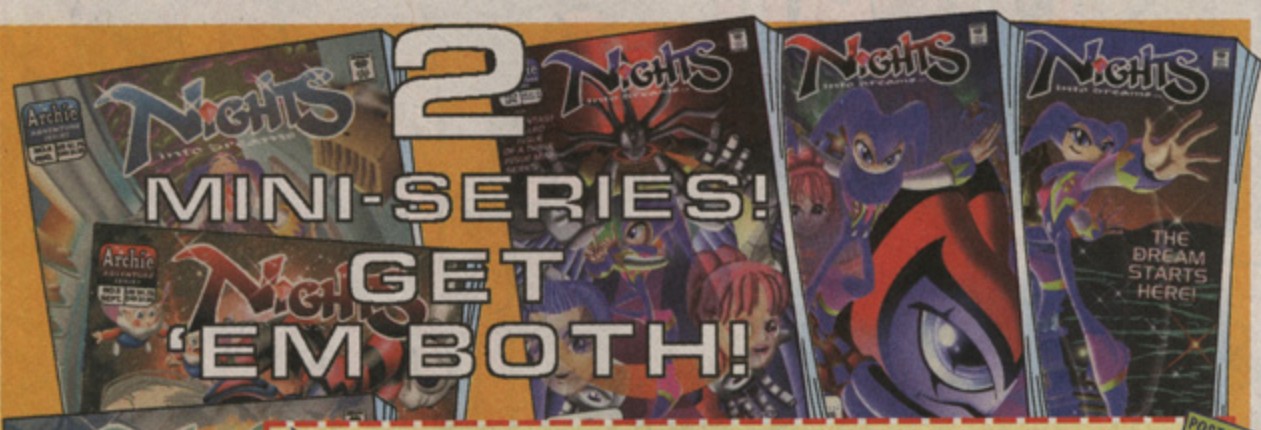
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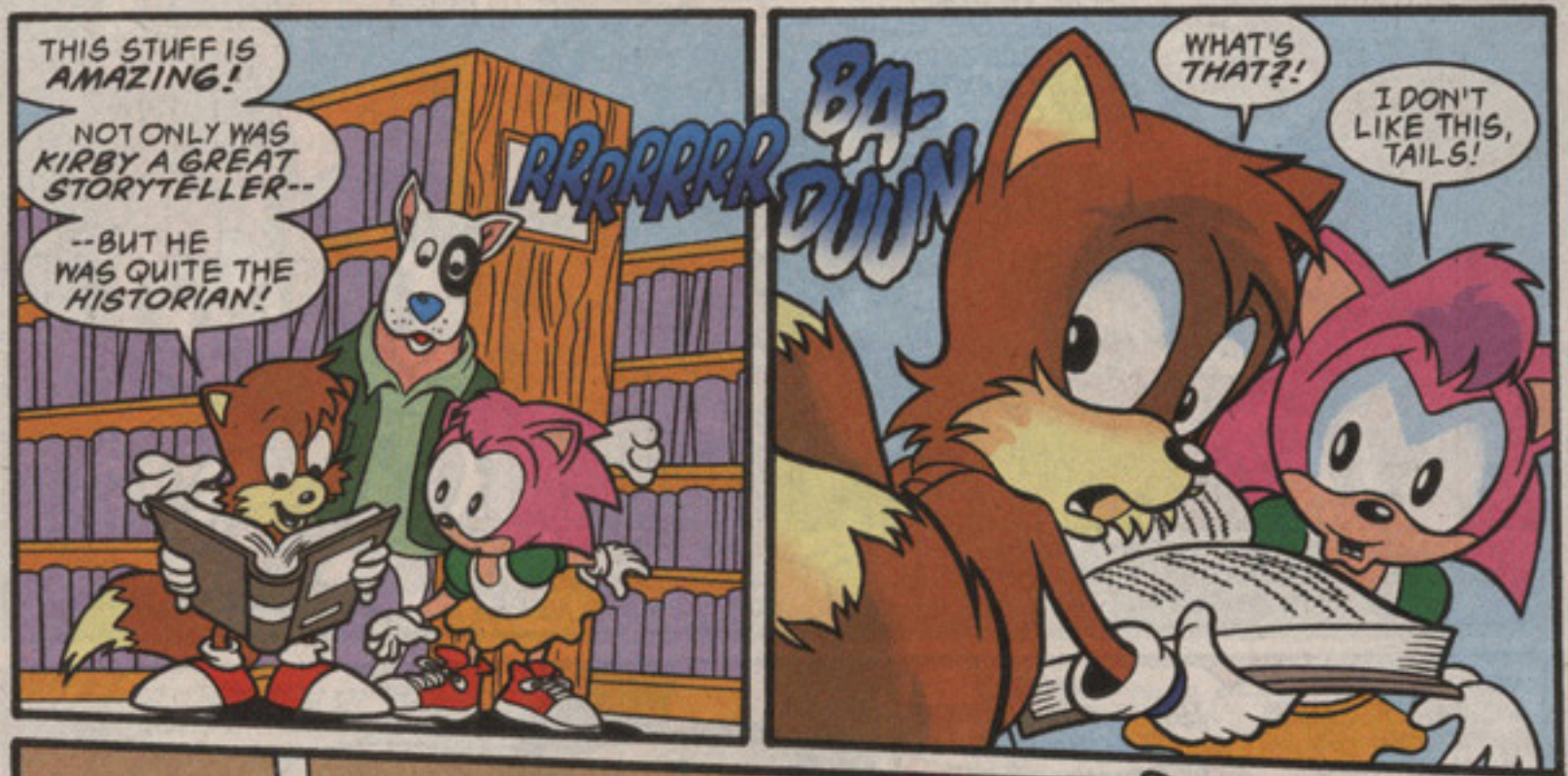
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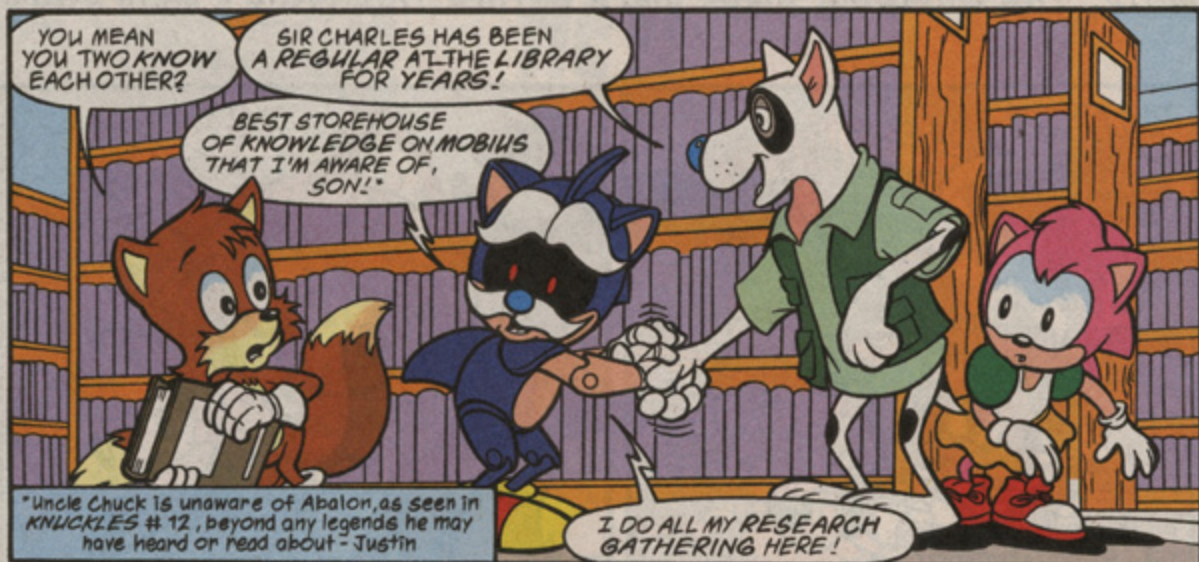


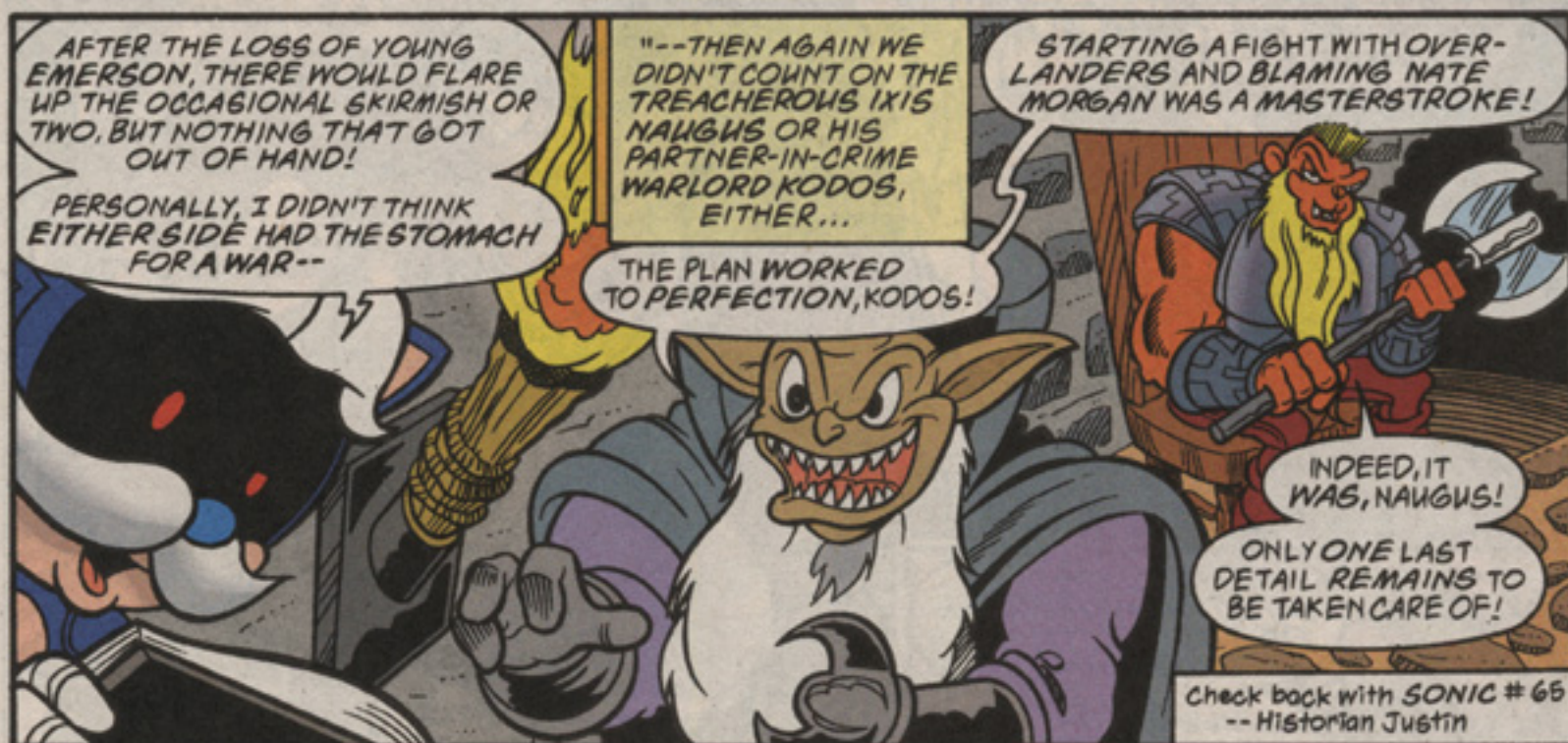
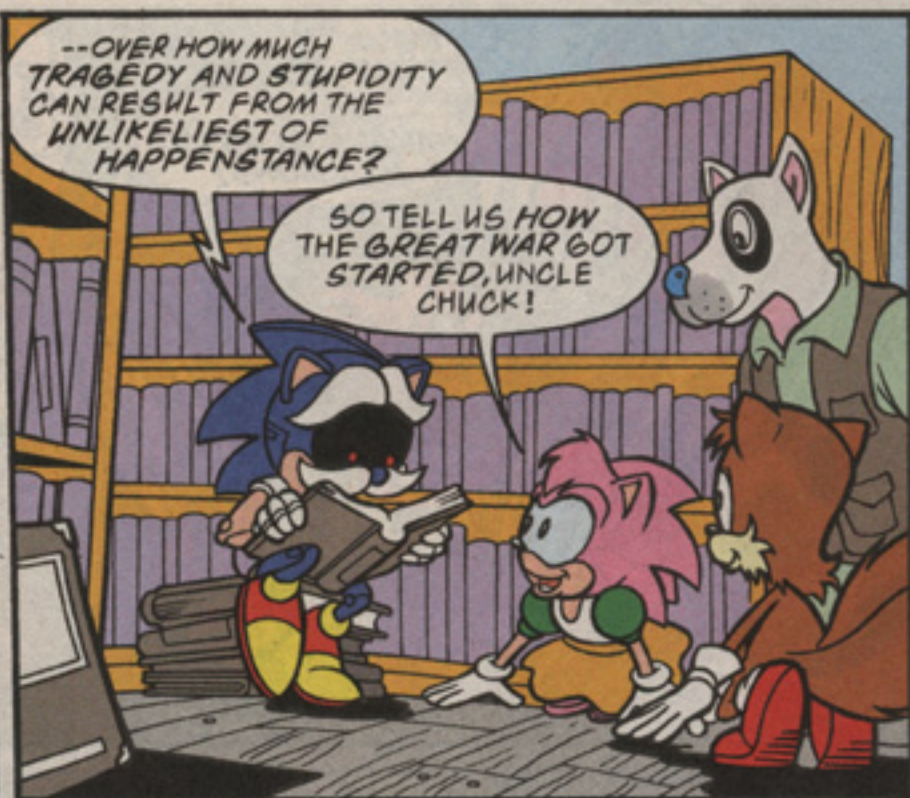
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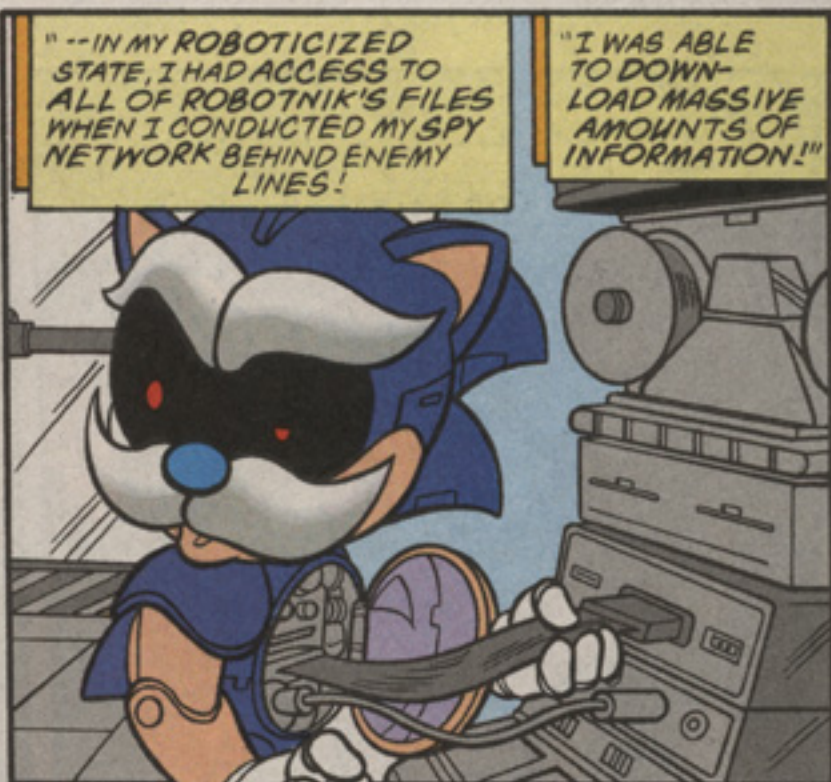




--HOW DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS STUFF?

EVEN KIRBY WASN'T ABLE TO TELL THE COMPLETE STORY!

YOU FORGET, YOUNGSTER--



"--IN MY ROBOTICIZED STATE, I HAD ACCESS TO ALL OF ROBOTNIK'S FILES WHEN I CONDUCTED MY SPY NETWORK BEHIND ENEMY LINES!

"I WAS ABLE TO DOWN-LOAD MASSIVE AMOUNTS OF INFORMATION!"



AT THIS POINT, TWO SCOUTS FROM OPPOSING SIDES MET, BOTH DOING THEIR JOB, BUT NEITHER WITH ANY DESIRE TO ENGAGE IN COMBAT! SO THEY DECIDED ON A COURSE OF ACTION...

I'LL TELL MY PEOPLE THAT THE LAY OF THE LAND GIVES YOUR PEOPLE SUCH AN ADVANTAGE...

...THAT WAR WOULD BE FUTILE!

AND I'LL TELL MY PEOPLE THE SAME!



"A GROUP OF THUGS DISCOVERED THE SCOUTS AS THEY WERE ABOUT TO CARRY OUT THEIR PLAN...

WHAT HAVE WE HERE?

TWO GRUNTS DECIDING THEY'RE GENERALS?

LET US GO!



"...AND BROUGHT THEM BEFORE KODOS!

SO YOU WERE GOING TO LIE TO YOUR KING ABOUT THE ENEMY?

HAVE YOU ANY IDEA WHAT THAT MAKES YOU?



A TRAITOR!
AND THERE
IS ONLY ONE FATE
FOR TRAITORS!



AS FOR THE
ENEMIES OF
THE STATE...

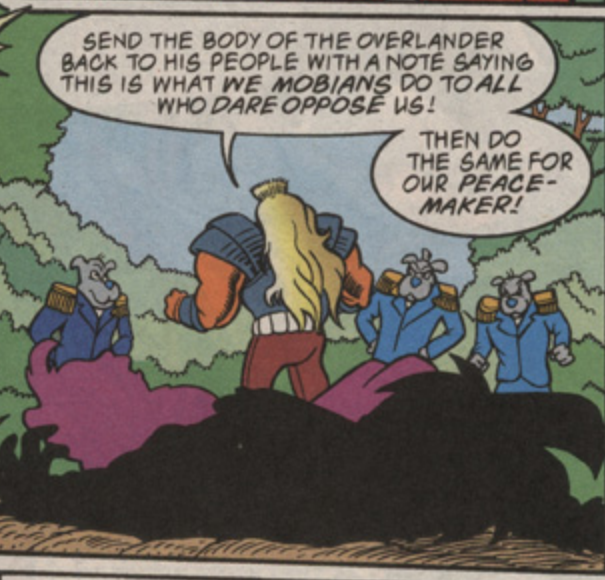


NATURALLY, WHEN BOTH SIDES
RECEIVED THEIR "MESSAGES," EACH
WAS CONVINCED THEY WERE DEALING
WITH BRUTAL SAVAGES FOR
ENEMIES!

SO WHAT
HAPPENED
NEXT?



KRAAK
NOOOOOO!



SEND THE BODY OF THE OVERLANDER
BACK TO HIS PEOPLE WITH A NOTE SAYING
THIS IS WHAT WE MOBIANS DO TO ALL
WHO DARE OPPOSE US!

THEN DO
THE SAME FOR
OUR PEACE-
MAKER!

IF YOU THOUGHT
THINGS WENT FROM
BAD TO WORSE
ALREADY...

YOU AIN'T
SEEN NOTHIN'
YET!

TREACHERY AND
BACKSTABBING
BECOME A WAY OF
LIFE WHEN
**ROBOTNIK
JOINS THE
MOBIANS!**

SONIC-GRAMS



OFF PANEL

by Gallagher, Manak & Amash

THIS JUST IN!

Hey, Sonic fans! As you can no doubt tell from the strip above, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Jim Amash for "pinch-inking" five pages in last issue's main story, as well as the last five pages of this issue's main story. Thanks, Jim.

Now to the business at hand...

1) The age of young Prince Elias Acorn. There has been much discussion on the Sonic internet chat-room concerning an answer to a letter about his age. It was stated that the Prince was five years old when he disappeared. Their opinion was that it wasn't possible since the artwork clearly showed him to be a toddler. They were right. It was an incorrect assumption. Elias should be about two years of age when these events took place. Thanks to all who voiced their opinion, for it helped set the record straight.

2) Saturday, June 5, 1999, Andrew Pepoy and Pam Eklund will be doing a Sonic & Knuckles signing at Graham Crackers Comics in the suburbs of Chicago, Illinois. If you're in the area, look out for them at 1271 Rickert Drive in Naperville from 11am to 1pm, at 1207 East Butterfield Road in Wheaton from 1:30pm to 3pm, and at 108 East Main Street in St. Charles from 3:30pm to 4:30pm.

3) The cover to SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #71 was accidentally miscredited. The credit should have read: Pencils, Inks and color separations all done by Patrick "SPAZ" Spaziantel!

Catch you on the flip side!

J.F. GABRIE

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Re: Sonic The Hedgehog #67-#68

Dear Sonic Grams,

Good Job on #67. It was great! I like how you're putting the Sonic logo on the cover along with the comic on the letters page. One more thing, if you look closely above the "O" and the "N" in the word "Sonic" on the cover of #67, you'll see a bit of Dr. Robotnik's head. Does this mean something... and who's behind it?

Leigh Michael Harrison
(Leezer Beezer)
Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont
Canada

Dear Sonic,

You're the cool one and an awesome dude. Here are some questions: 1) When I saw Sonic Issue's 62, 64, 67, 68, and 70, I was intrigued by the mysterious enemy orbiting Mobius. Can you give me a hint on who it is? By the way, is it an enemy you dealt with in the past, or is it a new enemy?

From A Sonic Fan In Senoia, Georgia
mswift@avana.net

Who do you both think it is?

Hi Sonic,

Enjoy reading your comics. I collect them all. I have a few questions: 1) Is the strange hand in issue #68 on page #4 Robotnik? 2) How many issues are you making? 3) Will we be seeing Super Sonic in any more issues? Also, I watch your show on Toon Disney. I'm a devoted fan. Keep Sonic alive and going. Enjoy!!

Brandon Walters (age 11)
McBee, SC
walters@rocssoft.net

Thanks, Brandon. Answer time: 1) Well, the last double page

spread of this issue should give you a hint. 2) We'll continue to publish Sonic comics as long as our readers keep buying it. 3) Yes, you will soon.

Dear Sonic,

I just finished reading SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #68 and SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #8 and I can say they're way past, past, cool!! I also have a few questions for you: 1) In SUPER SONIC SPECIAL #8, is the story, "Ghost Busted" from your cartoon? In SONIC #68, I don't think King Acorn likes you. I mean the look on his face, ugh! Who is pressing those buttons? I think it's Ro-butt-nik's hand, you know why? Cause I think it was SONIC #22 that a future Robo-butt told Robotnik that he had to roboticize himself to survive. I also just can't wait for the new Sonic Super Special!!

Darren Choy
Kaneohe, HI

Yes, Darren, "Ghost Busted" is adapted from one of the Sonic animated series.

Dear Sonic and Knuckles,

Issue #68 was great!
Your #1 fan,
Werner Nelson
Gt7ball1@email.msn.com

Dear Sonic,

Welcome home... finally. We're still rooting for you even way down here in Brazil. I have a few questions: 1) Are we ever going to find out about you and Mighty? 2) Now that Elias Acorn is back, will he be successor to the throne and if so, what happens with Sally? 3) When did Valdez

make his first appearance and how does Geoffrey St. John know him?

Ate mais tarde! (Translation: See you later!)

Nathan "Gonzo" Mitchell (age 15)
Brazil

Compliments from Brazil!

All right! Just to let you know: 1) Check out KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #26-#28 for the answer; 2) Keep reading for Elias & Sally; 3) Valdez's first appearance is SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #61 and ST. John knows him during Robotnik's ten years of tyranny.

Dear Sonic-Grams,

You are awesome for having a letters column, find your name in the print, the uncolored page, plus your little story at the end of each comic. I want to see Amy Rose a lot more. There's only one word for these comics and that is excellent!!! Thank you for reading all of your letters. (Even though it might be a million letters or more)!!

Kim Bratton
Citrus Heights, CA

And thank you for writing,

Kim.

Well, that's it for this month. Thank you all for your comments. See you in thirty. And remember...

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